

Remarks

Claims 1-24 are currently pending in the Application.

35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, rejection

Claims 1-24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The Examiner asserts that “the impedance matching structure including only one protuberance or hump to increase the width of a portion of the RF line immediately adjacent the RF contact to greater than the width of a portion of the RF line removed from the RF contact” (emphasis added) as recited in the currently pending claims is not supported by the specification. See page 2 of the Official Action.

Applicants submit that the Examiner has **not** established a *prima facie* case of written description requirement for the claims rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph. Applicants note that “the examiner has the initial burden of presenting evidence or reasons why persons skilled in the art would not recognize in [the] specification disclosure a description of the invention defined by the claims.” See *Ex parte Sorenson*, 3 USPQ2d 1462, 1463 (B.P.A.I. 1987). Applicants submit that the Examiner has not met this initial burden.

Applicants submit that the Examiner has merely concluded that the features of the pending claims are not supported by the specification without providing any basis for such a conclusion. In addition, it appears that the Examiner has overlooked, by way of an example and not of limitation, Figures 4, 7a and the corresponding text in the specification. According to the figures portion of the RF lines 6 that is immediately adjacent RF contact is wider than the width of the RF lines 6 that is removed, i.e. distant in space, from the RF contact. See a printout enclosed herein from dictionary.com defining the term “removed” as “distant in space.”

Applicants submit that persons skilled in the art would recognize in the figures a description of the invention defined by the claims. If the Examiner is of a different opinion, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner present evidence or reasons “why persons skilled in the art would not recognize in [the] specification disclosure a description of the invention defined by the claims” at least based on the Figures 4 and 7a.

In conclusion, Applicants note that the CCPA has stated that the description of the invention requirement is “relatively simple to comply with and thus will ordinarily demand minimal concern on the part of the Patent Office.” *In re Moore*, 439 F.2d 1232, 1235.

Applicants submit that the Examiner has **not** established a *prima facie* case for the written description requirement for the claims rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph. Hence, Applicants respectfully request that the 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, rejection be withdrawn.

Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of all the claims are respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit overpayment to deposit account no. 12-0415. In particular, if this response is not timely filed, then the Commissioner is authorized to treat this response as including a petition to extend the time period pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) requesting an extension of time of the number of months necessary to make this response timely filed and the petition fee due in connection therewith may be charged to deposit account no. 12-0415.

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 re·move  **Pronunciation Key** (rĭ-mōv')

v. re·moved, re·mov·ing, re·moves

v. tr.

1. To move from a place or position occupied: *removed the cups from the table.*
2. To transfer or convey from one place to another: *removed the family to Texas.*
3. To take off: *removed my boots.*
4. To take away; withdraw: *removed the candidate's name from consideration.*
5. To do away with; eliminate: *remove a stain.*
6. To dismiss from an office or position.

v. intr.

1. To change one's place of residence or business; move: "In 1751, I removed from the country to the town" (David Hume).
2. To go away; depart.
3. To be removable: *paint that removes with water.*

n.

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2. Distance or degree of separation or remoteness: "to spill, though at a safe remove, the blood of brave men" (Anthony Burgess).

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[Middle English *removen*, from Old French *remouvoir*, from Latin *removēre*: *re-*, *re-* + *movēre*, to move; see **move**.]

re·mov·er *n.*

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re·moved   **Pronunciation Key** (rĭ-mōvd')
adj.

1. Distant in space, time, or nature; remote.
2. Separated in relationship by a given degree of descent: *A first cousin's child is one's first cousin once removed.*

re·mov·ed·ly (-mōv'ĭd-lē) *adv.*

re·mov·ed·ness *n.*

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Main Entry: **re·move**

Pronunciation: rĭ-'müv

Function: *verb*

Inflected Forms: **re·moved**; **re·mov·ing**

transitive verb : to change the location, position, station, status, or residence of: as **a** : to have (an action) transferred from one court to another and esp. from a state court to a federal court —see also [SEPARABLE](#)

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the Attorney General — *U.S. Code* > **c** : to take away <should his incapacity be *removed* by a judgment of a court — *Louisiana Civil Code* > — **re·mov·abil·i·ty** /-ˈmü-v&-ˈbi-l&-tE/ *noun* — **re·mov·able** also **re·move·able** /-ˈmü-v&-b&l/ *adjective* — **re·mov·able·ness** *noun*

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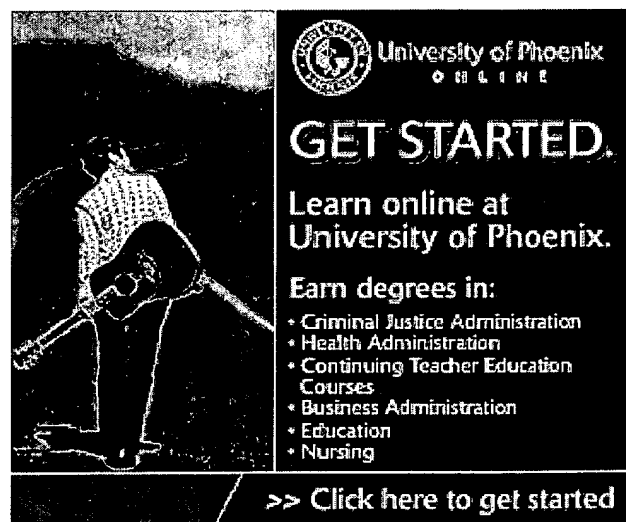
removed

adj 1: taken out of or separated from; "possibility is...achievability, abstracted from achievement"- A.N.Whitehead [syn: abstracted] 2: far apart in nature; "considerations entirely removed (or remote) from politics" [syn: remote, removed(p)] 3: far distant in space; "distant lands"; "remote stars"; "a remote outpost of civilization"; "a hideaway far removed from towns and cities" [syn: distant, remote] 4: separated in relationship by a given degree of descent; "a cousin once removed" [syn: removed(p)] 5: far distant in time; "distant events"; "the remote past or future"; "a civilization ten centuries removed from modern times" [syn: distant, remote]

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